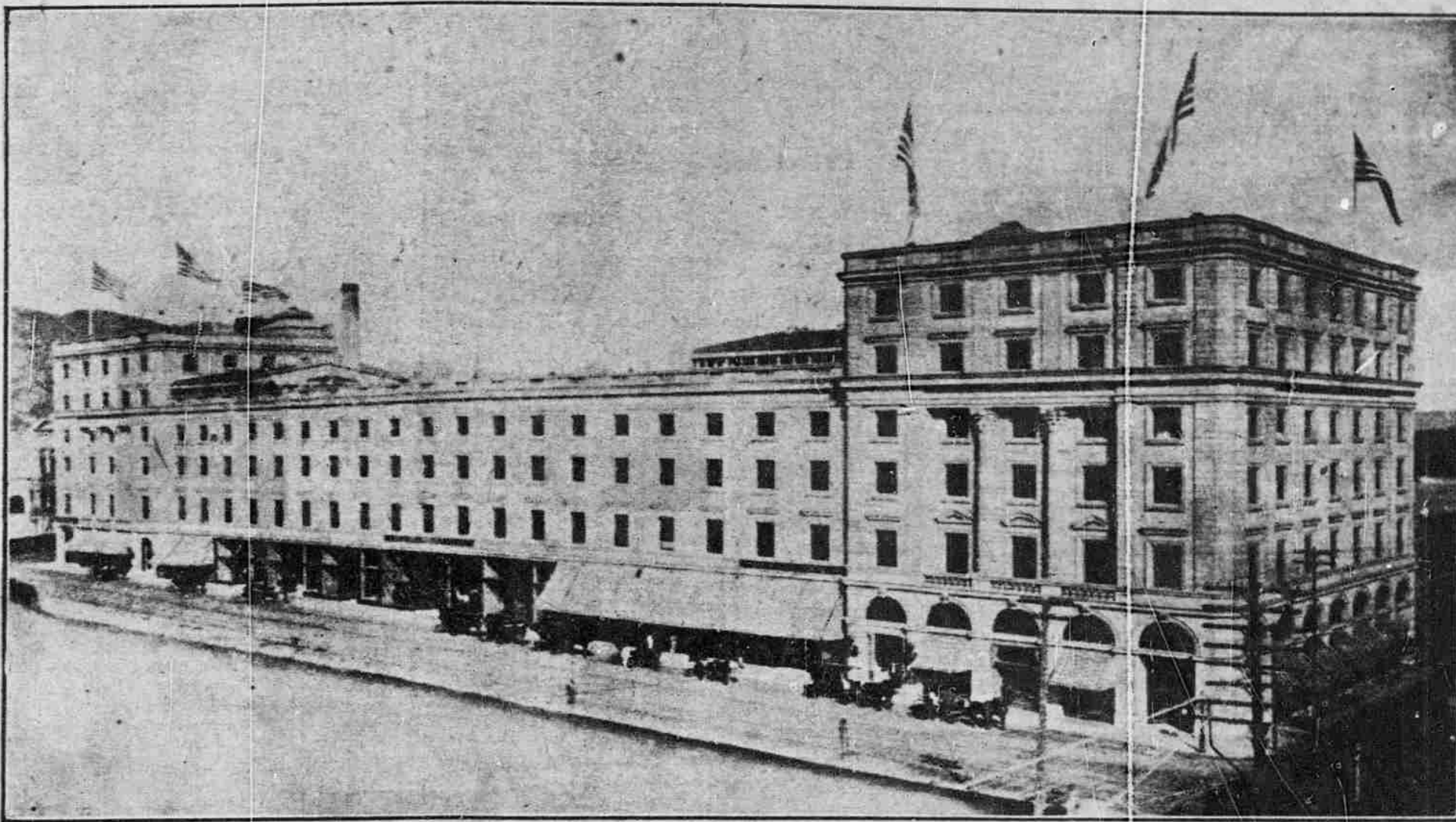


Alexander Young Hotel.



THE ALEXANDER YOUNG BUILDING.

The Alexander Young Hotel, completed last August at a cost of one hundred thousand dollars, is the dominant feature of Hawaiian enterprise and architecture.

It is built of steel, stone and brick, and was designed by American architects, built of American materials, by American contractors and workmen. Its total frontage, standing on three streets, has a length of 672 feet and is of beautiful design, built of sandstone from Colusa, Cal., with granite bases from the same State. The structure is absolutely fire-proof.

The idea that has crystallized into this magnificent hotel was conceived by Alexander Young, a millionaire of Hawaii, whose money not only built it, but whose personal interest and supervision saw that every department worked harmoniously towards the absolute perfection of the hotel detail, kept in vigorous running order by its manager, H. Wingate Lake, a man widely known to the traveling public and in army and naval circles, and whose popular personality as host, entertainer and provider bespeaks the success of this palatial hotel of the Pacific Crossroads.

The incoming tourist sees with his first glimpse of Honolulu the white structure towering above all other city buildings and waving a gay welcome from fluttering flags. At night the ruby, sapphire and diamond electric of the palm-decked roof garden sparkle like a thousand eyes in the brow of its lengthy facades, and bid a twinkling adieu to the passenger, who soon wends his way towards the city's center and takes his ease at the Alexander Young Hotel.

What Sheppard's is to Egypt and the Mediterranean, Young's is to the Pacific. Its greatest charm, perhaps, lies not so much in the perfect appointments, the luxurious connections, but in the entertainment and personal interest manifested by the management of Mr. Lake and his chief aide, F. W. Smith. The roof garden, with its charming accessories, is always a center for society's local happenings, while steamers and transports always find some special feature planned for their delight. The visit of the Pacific fleet in this past month proved the hotel's capacity to entertain, an not an officer of the squadron but reverts and strongly recommends the hospitality and resources of the Alexander Young Hotel.

The Alexander Young Hotel is so located that from every window in the building there is a pleasant and interesting prospect, while rooms on the fourth, fifth and sixth floors command landscape and marine views unexcelled.

On the roof garden on the fifth floor, consisting of a paved area of about one-third of an acre, there are palms, ferns, trees of moderate growth and other interesting and attractive plants and flowers, many of them indigenous. Chairs, tables and settees are interspersed among the plants and shrubs. Awnings are provided so that when parties desire shade it can be had by drawing the awnings overhead. Push buttons are everywhere to be found for the purpose of calling attendants, who will be constantly on hand to furnish refreshments. At each end of this roof garden there is a dance pavilion, about sixty-five feet by forty-

five feet, having specially prepared hard maple floors. An octagonal projection on one side of each of these halls, elevated above the level of dance floor, forms the orchestra.

During moonlight evenings from a stand in the center of roof garden band concerts are given for the guests. Moonlight in the tropics must be seen before one can have an idea of what it means, for it is often light enough to enable those having good eyesight to read by it, and after-dinner promenades are most enjoyable. It is seldom indeed that it is too cold to be in the open air in the evenings in the delightful climate of Honolulu.

There are two capacious dining rooms on the sixth floor, one on the American plan, the other on the European plan, and being away from the dust and din of the street and fanned continually by the cool trade breezes that sweep uncontaminated over the mountain tops, they are most favorably located. Fast-running elevators carry guests up and down without delay or inconvenience. Nothing could be more enchanting than the views commanded by the windows of these rooms.

The embowered city seen from above looks like a gorgeous piece of tapestry of many colors, the poincianas, palms, shrubs and vines all play their part in producing the picture.

The Alexander Young Hotel is furnished with the best modern furniture to be had in the United States, and the rooms are carpeted throughout with choice carpets. The portieres and curtains have been selected with great care to suit the climate and they are rich and tasteful.

There are in this hotel, fifty-four suites of rooms with toilets and bath, six single rooms, very large, with baths and toilets, thirty-eight suites of rooms without bath or toilet, and forty-eight single rooms without bath or toilet. There are, however, at frequent intervals, off the corridors, capacious bath rooms and toilets for ladies and gentlemen, and there is an abundance of hot and cold water in every room and bath-room in this hotel. All corridors are paved with mosaic and wainscoted with marble to a height of four feet. All bath rooms and toilets have vitrified tile floors and marble wainscoting six and one-half feet high. All this, taken with the perfect system of ventilation in every room through air shafts throughout the building, makes for cleanliness and coolness. It is needless to say that the plumbing and sanitation of this hotel has received particular attention and is second to none, for it is of the best.

THE CHEF'S DEPARTMENT.

The domain over which Jack Hays, chef of the hotel, a man well known to western epicures, reigns, is perfectly equipped with the latest improvements, ranges, boilers, warming racks, steam tables, refrigerator boxes, sinks, the thousand and one pans and culinary vessels dear to the heart of a chef. The chef's office, all the latest developments for the preparation of dainty meals from the table d'hôte to a mammoth banquet that calls out the entire resources of steward Wyman and his staff.

THE GUESTS' APARTMENTS.

There are in all 192 apartments for guests in suites, double rooms and single apartments the very smallest of which is 14x19 feet. The furnishings are varied and elaborate of mahogany and oak for the suites and brass for the majority of the beds. Sixty of the suites have a private bath, while in all 123 baths are provided. The public parlors modeled much after the parlors of the White House, are magnificently furnished with harmonious hangings, carpets and upholstery. The reading room opposite the office is fitted purposefully in oak and leather.

From any of the 192 rooms of the house telephonic communication may be had with any part of the city or island. No luxury has been overlooked and a dweller in the hotel lives in sybaritic comfort.

THE MECHANICAL DEPARTMENT.

The electric lighting plant of the hotel is one of the most complete fea-

dry, for generation of 242 kilowatts. Translated this means that the plant will develop 6000 16-candle power lights when all the generators are at work. The machines are three in number, two of 100 kilowatts and the other of forty-two. This insures a steady light, as there is sufficient reserve in case of accident to one machine. As complete as the electric lighting

gushing trade mark of the hotel.

ACCESSORIES TO THE HOTEL.

The special entertainment features of the hotel, the bar, billiard and barber shops and special lavatories are in the basement of the Hotel street end of the building. The bar is a quiet little place, well fitted in kōa and mahogany and where every form of refreshment may be had. In the billiard

THE HOTEL'S FARM.

In the suburb of Kalihi the Alexander Young Hotel maintains a farm of its own whence comes dairy produce of the best, carefully tended and overlooked by experienced hands. The results are appreciated by the guests who draw from an unfailing supply of the freshest milk, cream and eggs and the fattest and tenderest poultry.

The ramifications of the management in its tender care of its guests' appetites extends much farther than the usual plans. Wherever some plantation produces juicier or perhaps earlier fruit than others on the island, its produce is promptly requisitioned. The fish ponds with the finest mullet, the preserves where the plumpest game abounds, all are culled by the watchful caterers of the Young. Fruits and meats of the island typical of the place and palatable to unaccustomed appetites are made a feature of the daily menus.

THE SEASIDE ANNEX.

At Waikiki the bathing resort and ocean suburb of Hawaii, there is as all the tourist world that crosses the Pacific knows, a delightful beach of white coral, where the charms of a dip, in sunlight or moonlight the year round, may be enjoyed.

There are many charms to sea bathing at Waikiki seldom to be found elsewhere. The water is usually of such crystal clearness that bathers can see the bottom plainly, with here and there patches of sea moss adhering to the coral, the coloring varied as the hues of the rainbow. Shallow water and deep water, rough water and smooth water may be had within short distances, and large areas may be found where the depth varies from three to four feet. This makes safe bathing for children and unskilled swimmers. The temperature of the water is such that the person feels but little shock upon entering it. Even delicate persons may remain in the water for hours.

Here the Alexander Young Hotel maintains an annex for the accommodation of its guests, where those who wish for perfect rest and quiet close by the soothing murmur of the reef, may pass days and nights of tropical dolce far niente long, delightful hours of day dreams and night slumbers where palm trees wave and ripples plash upon a shell strewn strand.

The annex is connected with town by the up-to-date electric car system, cars running every ten minutes at a five cent fare with transfers to all parts of the city.



SCENE IN THE DINING ROOM.

tures of the establishment. The plant is designed to light the building and as there are few demands upon its resources outside the hotel proper the plant may well be considered as of the hotel. The steam boilers are of 350 horse power, with a capacity, outside of power required for elevators and laun-

dry, is that which provides the water supply is equal to it. The water for the hotel is drawn from an artesian well having a daily flow of three million gallons if required. The supply is pumped to the roof, there it is stored in four tanks of 5000 gallons capacity each, and the supply of the building is thus secured by gravity. Hot water, however, is circulated through the building by the pump in engine room. The refrigeration plant has a capacity of two and a half tons of ice a day, but where refrigeration is needed in kitchen or pantries, buffet or bar it is obtained through a circulation of freezing brine through ramifications of pipe.

There is in the rear of the hotel a laundry capable of taking care of all the demands upon it at any time. In addition to the regular hotel work the plant will, in its great drying box, one of the most effective made, take care of seventy-five dozen shirts and 125 dozen collars per day.

The elevators in the hotel building are twenty-two in number, all in the latest style and equipment, and the four, running in pairs, one pair for each entrance, which are for passenger service only, are of the express type, making high speed with absolute safety. Fourteen of the elevators are for service throughout the building, while one is a combined freight and passenger elevator for kitchen use and servants, including the porter's demands.

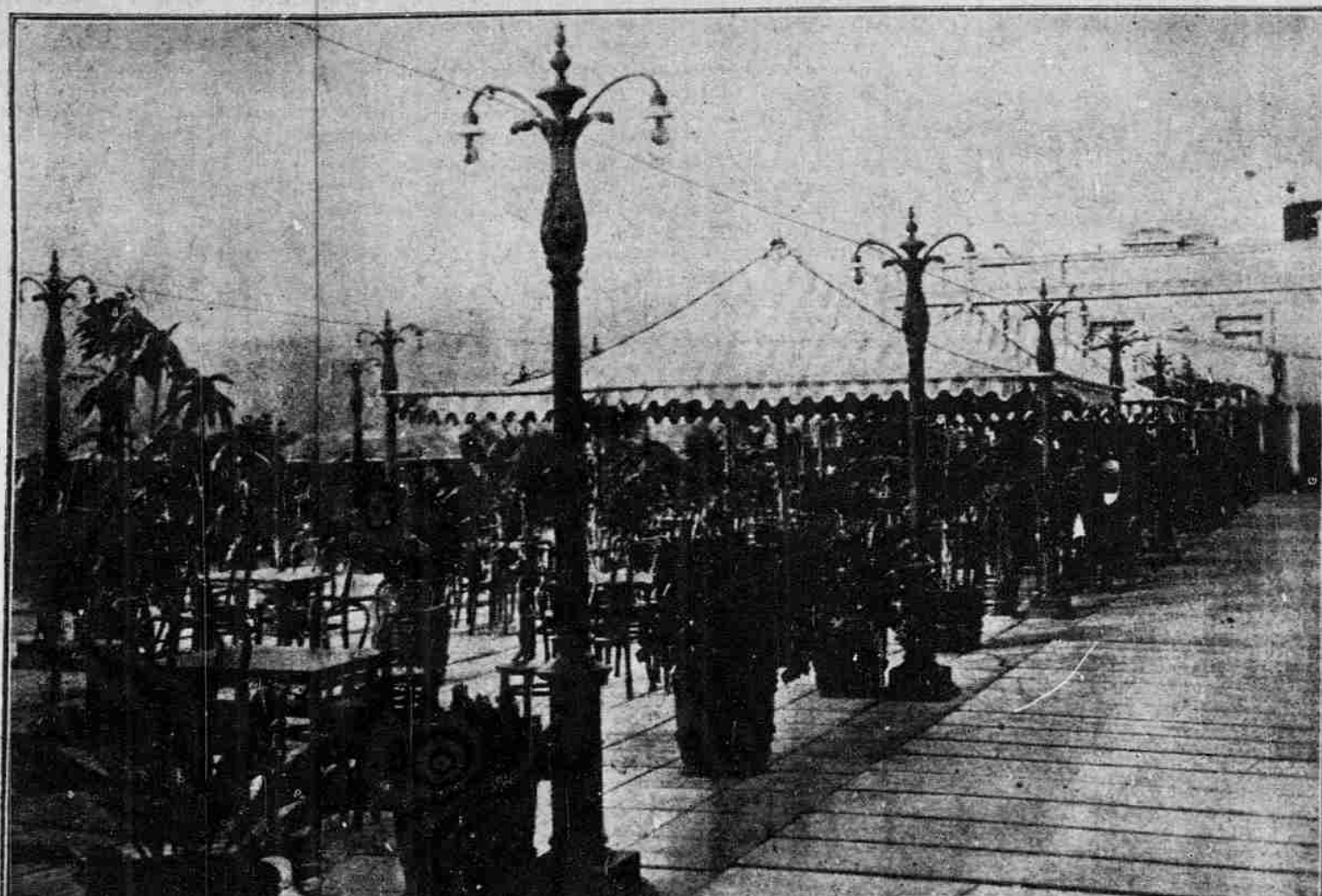
COMPLETENESS OF SERVICE.

The completeness of the silver service would make it hard to ask for anything in the way of silver that is not in the excellently appointed closet. From the platter which would bear a roasted boar to the slender pronged strawberry fork, from the individual covers to after dinner coffee spoons, all around the circle of dinner silver goes the service of the same design. The napery is in its way no less handsome, each piece having in it the thistle wreath and monogram, the distin-

room there are tables of the latest type and which have received the approval of the most expert players of the city. The barber shops are fitted with everything that could be secured for the comfort of the patrons.



THE HOTEL ENTRANCE.



ON THE ROOF GARDEN.